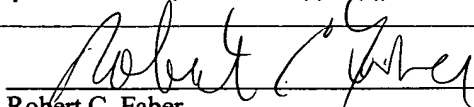


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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/553150</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/EP2004/003924</b>		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>14 April 2004</b>		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>14 April 2003</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>AUTOMATIC COUPLING DEVICE</b>					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Jürgen ALTHAMMER</b>					
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
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<b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.					
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